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ASBYU Council gets critical response

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The ASBYU Executive Council received a critical response to its Cooperative Governmental Model proposal on the President's Council during a meeting on Friday. The President's Council consists of President Jeffrey J. Lund, Vice-Presidents Dee Andersen, Joe Ballif and Ron Stohion, Ron Hyde, assistant to the President on diversity relations, also attended the meeting. The response of the President's Council consisted of an eight-page memorandum written by the council addressed to the ASBYU Executive Council. The President's Council asked the Executive Council to search and answer questions about student government's role and responsibility before attempting to structure a new government.

"It seems possible that to deal with structure before dealing with mission and philosophy might be, as C.S. Lewis once said, like 'straightening deck chairs on the

Titanic," said the memorandum written by the President's Council.

Chris Doughty, ASBYU president said that the Executive Council hasn't decided what its next course of action will be. "We haven't discussed it yet, but we have our council meeting today," he said.

"There is nothing about the proposal that needs to be revised," said Mike O'Neill, ASBYU attorney general. "The thinking needs to be revised," he said.

Paul Richards, director of Public Communications, said it is unlikely that student government will be restructured this semester.

"It would be difficult to come up with a new program in the time we have remaining this semester," he said.

Richards said, "President Holland perceives a need for an in-depth look at the total (student government) program." The questions Holland raised in the memorandum to the Executive Council go "far beyond the current proposal," because their proposal does not answer those questions, he said.

The response of the President's Council asks ques-

tions as what the mission of student involvement at BYU is in relation to the mission of the university itself, if that mission has ever been defined and what the areas of student government responsibility are at a university.

The council also raised questions that dealt with the payment of student body officers, how unity can be achieved within classes, why many freshmen do not return after their first semester, whether BYU clubs are too exclusive and if they are really service oriented.

The President's Council said, "We were disappointed to have such a rushed response to what we thought we were agreeing was the most fundamental and challenging ASBYU opportunity recently undertaken."

The council said it had anticipated "vigorous and thoughtful conversations among the students, the faculty, even alumni, and above all among (ASBYU) advisors" about the definition and mission of student involvement at BYU.

"We do not see the distillation of that kind of thought or discussion in the proposal (the ASBYU Executive Council)

had back to us in less than 48 hours."

The President's Council agreed with the Executive Council's idea of a Student Advisory Council where students would act in an advisory capacity to the university administration.

"We like the idea of a Student Advisory Council which can increase the communication between the students and the administration in a strong advisory capacity," the council said.

"Too much is asked of student body officers who both handle programming duties and attempt to play a representative role," they said.

They said elections should proceed as they have in the past, and that all candidates should be aware of the present discussions and considerations.

"President Holland is very supportive and assured us that while restructuring efforts would take time, planning, and more careful consideration, they will not let it just fade away when new officers are elected in March," said Doughty.

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Filipinos remain at odds over election vote tallies

National Assembly will determine winner

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — The government-dominated National Assembly had the first meeting Monday on its official canvass, which by law will determine who won the disputed presidential election.

In the slow count of ballots cast last Friday, the government section commission showed President Ferdinand E. Marcos edging by 53 percent to 47. An unofficial count by a citizens' li-watching group of more votes showed challenger Corason Aquino ahead by the same margin.

The election was marred by violence, which continued Monday. A gunman fired at about 50 Aquino supporters in an open park from which Aquino had delivered a speech earlier, killing a 1-year-old man and wounding a woman.

At the gathering in suburban Makati, Aquino had told 2,000 cheering supporters she was "claiming the people's due," and added: "We are going to take power. The people have won this election."

Aquino accuses Marcos of widespread election fraud in attempting to extend his 20 years of rule over this archipelago of 7,100 islands.

Both Aquino supporters and official U.S. election observers led the slow count an attempt by Marcos to manipulate the suits. The observers left for home Monday.

In Washington, a senior Reagan administration official said to Filipinos "not to have violence, not to have demonstrations in the street just because you didn't like the election outcome."

"Get on the team and work with the government to form a verment, whether it's Marcos or Aquino," said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

National Assembly members, two-thirds of whom are from the president's New Society Movement, spent four hours Monday bating rules for the canvass and then adjourned until Tuesday morning. The galleries were packed with Marcos supporters.

At Aquino loyalists who chanted their candidates' names, thousands more gathered outside.

Returns at the end of the day from the so-called quick count by a government commission gave Marcos 4,017,277 votes, or 53 percent, to 3,610,099, or 47 percent, for Aquino, with 35 percent of precincts counted.

A count by the National Movement for Free Elections, a pollsters' group known as Namfrel, had Aquino ahead by 358,538 votes to 5,971,893, a 53-to-47-percent lead, with 60.4 percent of precincts reported.

The election commission's count was suspended after 30 computer operators walked out Sunday, charging fraud in the tabulation that showed Marcos leading.

Pedro Baraoidan, an army colonel who runs the commission's computer operation, said he was studying whether to file charges against them.

"My theory is that there was a plot to sabotage the operation," Baraoidan told reporters. He said the 18-hour suspension was used by an equipment breakdown, not the walkout.

Radio Veritas, a Roman Catholic Church station, said eight of the commission's 120 computer technicians walked out Monday. Baraoidan and government workers refused comment.

Aquino had stood on the truck that later was fired upon to seek to suppress at an outdoor Catholic Mass.

A witness, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the shots were fired from a car that pulled alongside at a traffic light and undred as if the gun was equipped with a silencer. He said the car sped off after the shooting.

Witnesses said the dead man had been holding up a poster reading "Marcos Concede" when the bullet hit him in the chest, killing him instantly. The woman, 19, was wounded on the forehead.

More than 90 people have been killed in election-related violence since the campaign began Dec. 6.

Presidency could go to party that counts

By VALERIE SEELY
Universe Staff Writer

Credibility of the Philippine democratic process is quickly diminishing as reports of fraud in the election between Ferdinand Marcos and Corason Aquino continues. Each blames the other for disruptions in the election, and as of yet, there is no winner.

In the four days since the end of the elections, no official winner has been announced, but both candidates are claiming victory. Who the winner is depends on who's counting.

Thirty computer operators working on the country's official vote tally walked off the job Sunday, reported the Cable News Network. They quit because the ballots were being manipulated, they said.

The election now goes into the Marcos-controlled National Assembly for final decision. When asked what possibilities there might be for an independent review of the ballots by another country, Marcos, in a live interview with ABC News Monday morning, said, "We are in the process of following our constitution. Do you want us to go against our constitution?"

Filipino students attending BYU fear going back to a country full of upset and confusion. Astrid Tuminez, a senior from Guadalupe, Philippines, majoring in international relations and Russian, said those who live here permanently don't have the worry, but "students and people on tourist visas don't know what to expect when they get back."

However, all Filipinos are concerned about the upheaval in their country. There will be no winners no matter who is officially named president, said Oscar Salvatierra, marketing director for the Philippine News, LA Bureau, a paper in the Filipino community supporting the opposition movement.

He said demonstrations by opposition supporters are being held in consulates nationwide. Salvatierra, who is active in the Campesino, an umbrella organization for the opposition, said "We must mobilize."

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Cabbage Patch Mummies

When Dorothy Ross, head of the Education Department's advisement center, came back to work on Monday, she found her office occupied by the court of the Egyptian King, Ramses II. The pickled personages, "Cabbage Patch Mummies," were the work of the students at Edgemont Elementary School. The students construct displays that relate to the Ramses II exhibit.

Soviets agree to release dissident

BERLIN (AP) — Soviet officials have agreed to release dissident Anatoly Sheharansky moments before three Western spies in the expected East-West prisoner exchange because the United States insisted he not be treated like an undercover agent, a newspaper said Monday.

A U.S. official, meanwhile, confirmed at a news briefing that Sheharansky would be part of the swap, expected to take place Tuesday on the Glienicke Bridge between West Berlin and Communist East Germany.

"He will be on the bridge. The exchange will be made and the cars will drive out," the official said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

He indicated Sheharansky would leave Berlin

immediately from the U.S. military's Tempelhof airport and head for Israel.

A U.S. diplomatic source in Berlin, speaking on condition of anonymity, told The Associated Press, "It will happen on the bridge before noon."

The Hamburg newspaper Bild said in an article written for Tuesday's editions, "An agreement has been reached so that Sheharansky will clearly be freed before the other prisoners."

The newspaper telecast the report in advance to other news media. It did not identify its sources, but the newspaper has had other exclusive reports from the Soviet Union that have turned out to be accurate.

Elder Didier will speak at devotional

Elder Charles A. Didier, a member of the First Quorum of Seventy of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, will speak at today's devotional at 11 a.m. in the Marriott Center.

A native of Ixelles, Belgium, Elder Didier has been a member of the First Quorum of Seventy since October 1975. He is now serving as president of the North America Southwest Area, as managing director of the Missionary Department and as a counselor in the International Mission presidency.

Elder Didier's previous assignments include executive administrator for the Canada and Argentina/Paraguay/Uruguay Areas, president of the France/Switzerland Mission and the managing director for the Curriculum Department.

Elder Didier speaks several languages and was employed by the LDS Church as its European manager for the distribution and translation center in Frankfurt, Germany.

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Insurance crisis weaves itself into American society's fabric

Editor's note: The following is the first of a two-part series. The second part will run tomorrow.

By ED WRIGHT
Senior Reporter

The national insurance crisis faced by cities and businesses is one that may ultimately affect consumers. From sharp increases in ski resort lift tickets because of skyrocketing liability insurance premiums, to the mass resignation of a midwest city council, and the firing of the Plymouth, Cal. police force because of policy cancellations, the insurance shake-up has woven itself into the fabric of society.

Utah Insurance Commissioner Harold C. Yancey says the nation's liability insurance dilemma — insurance companies raising rates or cancelling policies to cut losses — is aggravated by the propensity of citizens to sue each other, and by juries awarding sky-high settlements.

"In 1980, cash flow underwriting (offering policies at below-market prices to attract new clients) became the popular thing to do in the insurance industry. Companies forgot that the basic purpose of their service was to insure their clients," Yancey said.

"With interest rates hovering around 20 percent, the main goal of many companies was to invest the premium money to get high returns. They led to cut-throat competition among companies who offered ridiculously low rates to write more policies. In early 1985, insurance company losses — that could have been prevented — came to roost . . . their losses outstripped their cash flow. The money they had invested at 18 percent was now only

earning 10 percent," Yancey said.

He said the current crisis with entire sections of American institutions losing liability insurance came as an overreaction by the insurance companies. "They could have written many of the policies that had been cancelled. Instead, they began class underwriting (writing policies only in certain low risk groups). Instead of looking at individual policies, they just dumped all their clients who were in a particular industry," he said.

Industry analysts also attribute the insurance disaster to the nation's legal system. In the last decade, the nation's courts have awarded high damage judgments against companies and have given broad interpretations of coverage. In addition, they have awarded punitive damages totalling millions of dollars. Jury Verdict Research, Inc. reported that courts awarded over 400 judgments of over one million dollars against defendants in 1984.

"It's a crisis of catastrophic proportion," says Sen. Orrin Hatch (R., Utah). "Costs have shot up so fast that there are cities in Utah paying as much as 400 percent more for simple liability coverage. Insurance companies have cancelled policies with several municipalities and there are other cities that have stopped paying the higher premiums because they couldn't afford it."

Hatch said two U.S. Supreme Court decisions in the last five years are responsible for causing havoc in the nation's local governments. "There has been a literal explosion in the number of lawsuits brought under the current law. The burdens imposed by these two decisions are crowding our courtrooms and increasingly costing millions of taxpayers' dollars instead of providing needed services," he said.

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NASA officials believe booster could be culprit

WASHINGTON (AP) — NASA investigators believe Challenger's right booster rocket may have pivoted into the huge space shuttle fuel tank, crushing it and setting off the fireball that destroyed the ship and killed its crew.

A space agency source, who declined to be identified, said such a scenario was outlined Monday in the industry magazine *Aviation Week and Space Technology* — is one of several possibilities under examination.

A major focus of the investigation has been the possibility that a leak between segments of the right booster allowed a plume of flame to spur toward Challenger's liquid fuel tank, either puncturing or raising the pressure inside to cause the explosion.

The source said other avenues of investigation include wind shears aloft as the 4.5-million-pound shuttle climbed through a period of maximum stresses, and a seal leak between two segments of the booster rocket that caused a sideways thrust and put additional structural loads on the ship.

The presidential commission investigating the Jan. 28 accident met in secret session Monday to discuss an internal memorandum dated July 1984 by officials of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration that shuttle flight safety was "being compromised by potential failure" of booster seals.

"Failure during launch would certainly be catastrophic," one NASA analyst warned in a memorandum, according to The New York Times.

Police find five bodies bound, stabbed, burned

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Police said Monday they found the bodies of five blacks who were bound, stabbed and burned with what has become known as the "necklace" — gasoline-soaked tires placed around them and set afire.

The killings appeared to be part of the struggle between rival anti-apartheid groups that differ on how to fight white-minority rule.

Four of the bodies were found together, with more tires piled on them to form a funeral pyre, and the fifth was a short distance away. Press reports said the men may have been sentenced to death by unofficial "people's courts" operating in black townships.

Col. Gerrie van Rooyen, police spokesman for the eastern region that includes Cape Province, said the victims were stabbed, their hands and feet

bound with thin wire, then gasoline-soaked tires were placed around their bodies and set alight. The corpses were found on a street in a section of New Brighton township, outside the industrial center of Port Elizabeth.

The slain men were probably killed Sunday. Their deaths brought the weekend toll from black-fighting to seven.

Besutu Ntshela, a leader of a small group called Azanian National Youth Unity, said attackers beat and kicked two of its members to death Saturday and abducted several others. His organization believes only blacks should fight for black rights.

District Judge Nixon victim of 'witch hunt'

HATTIESBURG, Miss. (AP) — U.S. District Judge Walter L. Nixon was the victim of a "government witch hunt" and should get a new trial on charges he twice lied to a special federal grand jury, his chief attorney said Monday.

"My God, what did he do?" said attorney Michael Fawcett. "Certainly we want a new trial. This whole thing has been insane and everybody admits the government's case was built around a perfectly innocent transaction."

Nixon, a 16-year veteran and chief judge in Mississippi's southern district, who once turned down an appointment to the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, faces a maximum sentence of 10 years in prison and \$20,000 in fines on his convictions on two perjury counts.

Nixon was in seclusion and had no public statement since gasping "Oh God, no" when the guilty verdicts were read Sunday. He was found innocent of a third perjury count and of receiving an illegal gift of a Russian.

"He's not stepping aside but he is not hearing any cases," Fawcett said of Nixon's status with the court.

John Russell, a spokesman for the Justice Department's Southern Division, said Monday it would require action by Congress to remove Nixon from office.

"He is appointed as a judge for life. It takes a ... the same impeachment proceedings as for a president," said Russell.

Nixon, 57, is to remain free on bond until he is sentenced March 31 by U.S. District Judge James H. Meredith of St. Louis, who was brought in to hear the case.

Provisional government promises free elections

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — The head of the interim government pledged Monday to share

wealth fairly in Haiti, whose people were ground into poverty during three decades that made the Duvaliers and their friends fabulously rich.

Lt. Gen. Henri Namphy, president of the six-man interim government council, said at swearing-in ceremonies for the new Cabinet that there will be free elections by universal suffrage and a new "liberal" constitution to create a "real and working democracy." He did not set a date for the elections or elaborate on the new constitution.

The remarks by Namphy, who is the army chief of staff, followed a weekend orgy of celebration and violence. Haitians rioted, sacked homes owned by the departed dictator and his lieutenants, and hunted members of the dreaded Duvalier private militia, the Tonton Macoute.

As many as 300 people were killed over the weekend, including members of the Tonton Macoute who were hacked and beaten to death.

Duvalier and his party are staying at Tallioires, France while the French government searches for a country that will take him permanently.

Pope ends pilgrimage with request for peace

BOMBAY, India (AP) — Pope John Paul II ended an exhausting, 10-day pilgrimage across India on Monday with a call for peace and unity, as Hindu militants tried to burn him in effigy.

The 65-year-old pontiff, speaking to more than 100,000 Christians at a youth rally at Shivaji Park, praised India's rich spiritual and cultural heritage and urged Christians to try to heal the nation's many sectarian and communal divisions.

John Paul, leader of the world's 840 million Roman Catholics, said the challenge facing Christians was to reject "all discrimination based on race, religion, sex, social condition or language groups."

Before he began his final speech in India, about 30 Hindu fanatics shouted "Pope go home!" and "The pope is an agent of the CIA!" They said he had business visiting secular, predominantly Hindu India.

Pope rounded up militants as they tried to set fire to an effigy of the pope and broke up the protest quickly, without violence.

The protest was organized by right-wing Hindus, who staged demonstrations upon the pope's arrival in the Indian capital, New Delhi, on Feb. 1.

The pope, looking pale and tired, visited 14 cities on his 6,000-mile tour across the subcontinent, during which he repeatedly urged an end to divisions in Indian society and told Catholics they had a mission to unite India.

Of India's 760 million people, Christians make up 3 percent and Hindus about 83 percent.

Group seeks logic, incentive in tax break

WASHINGTON (AP) — Forty-four big profitable corporations used tax incentives for investment to wipe out their federal income taxes during President Reagan's first term, but actually cut jobs and spending for new plant and equipment, a private research group said Monday.

On the other hand, said Citizens for Tax Justice, 43 companies that paid at least one-third of their profits in federal taxes increased investment by 21 percent and boosted their employment rolls by 4 percent from 1981 through 1984.

The report questioned the value of the estimated \$120 billion a year worth of incentives that the federal tax laws give corporations in an effort to spur investment and job creation. The House, in passing a major tax-overhaul bill last December, reduced some of the incentives, and Reagan is now demanding that the Senate restore some of them if the legislation is to win his support.

"Our 'riverboat gamble' with throwing money at corporations simply has not panned out," Robert S. McIntyre, director of federal tax policy at Citizens for Tax Justice, said in releasing the report. "Corporate tax 'incentives' have been a huge failure at stimulating more investment or jobs."

Citizens for Tax Justice, a liberal oriented group which engages in research and lobbying, is financed by labor unions, churches and various "public-interest" organizations. Some of the nation's richest corporations, instead of using billions of dollars that Congress had approved for job creation, "took the money and spent it on virtually everything but new investment," the study concluded. They increased dividends, raised the pay of their chief executives,

and financed mergers, McIntyre said.

The study, based chiefly on companies' reports to shareholders, found, for example, that the Boeing Co. made \$2.1 billion in profits during the four years, paid no federal income tax and received refunds of \$285 million. But Boeing investments dropped 18 percent and employment rose 18 percent, the study said.

Harold Carr, public-affairs director for Boeing in Seattle, did not dispute the tax figures but said the firm spent \$2.4 billion on research and development during the period — "when we went through the final stages of developing, manufacturing, testing and certifying of new commercial transports, the 767, 757 and 737-300."

"Airlines order planes when economic conditions are good," Carr said. Reflecting those increased orders, added, is that Boeing employment about 3,000 above the figure at the end of 1981.

The study is a follow-up to one done by the organization last August which surveyed 275 of the nation's biggest and most profitable corporations and found that 50 of them had paid no federal income tax over a 1981-84 period. During at least one of the four years, 129 used tax breaks not only wipe out of their tax liability but receive rebates of past taxes paid.

Although the companies may have paid no federal income tax during one or more of the four years, that did not mean they avoided the tax collector altogether. For example, they paid federal Social Security taxes workers' wages; most paid state and local taxes; many paid taxes to foreign countries and, under the law, to that into account when they calculated U.S. taxes.

Writers choose Baptists over LDS

HOUSTON (AP) — The Religion Newswriters' Association of America moved its annual meeting from Salt Lake City to Atlanta after Mormon Church officials said female reporters would be barred from some church meetings, the head of the writers' organization said Monday.

The 200-member organization, made up of newspaper and magazine religious writers from the United States and Canada, usually meets along with a national religious meeting, said Louis Moore, religion writer for the Houston Chronicle and president of the organization.

"We have an annual meeting kind of piggy-back with what we believe is the most important religious meeting in the country," Moore said.

Group members overwhelmingly decided on the April meeting in Salt Lake City because of developments in the Mormon Church, he said.

Several members of the House of Salt Lake City, however, voiced concern about female reporters being treated equally, he said.

The church first promised that everything would be the same except the priesthood meeting, Moore said. "If female reporters show up they'd be asked to leave."

The priesthood meeting is traditionally only attended by male church members. But men attending do not have to prove their church affiliation, so male reporters would not be turned away, said Don LeFevre, manager of press relations for

the church.

Moore said church leaders told him they have an understanding with news organizations in Utah and Idaho to only send male reporters to cover church functions.

But LeFevre said the church has no such agreement.

"We have many female reporters coming and doing features. I can't think of another situation but this one two-hour meeting where it would apply," he said.

As a way of accommodating women, the church suggested providing full transcripts or having closed-circuit television of the priesthood meeting, Moore said.

Teachers asked to report student drug use

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Opponents on Monday foiled efforts to impose criminal penalties on school teachers who fail to report students who appear to be using drugs.

In other action, the sponsor of a resolution supporting a ban on nuclear weapons tests in Nevada killed the measure after House members linked it to U.S.-Soviet relations.

The drug reporting bill, sponsored by Rep. Frances Merrill, R-Salt Lake, would have made it a class B misdemeanor offense for a teacher to fail to report a student who appeared to use drugs on a regular basis.

However, the bill was scrapped by the full House in favor of a substitute sponsored by Rep. Scott

Holt, R-Syracuse, which eliminated the penalty. The bill still requires teachers to report drug use by students, but provides no means for disciplining teachers who ignore the order.

After replacing Mrs. Merrill's bill, the House then voted to delay a final vote on Holt's measure.

House members in the education profession united against the penalty.

Rep. Kim Bunningham, R-Bountiful, said teachers have no way of telling for sure whether a student is using drugs. The law, he said, would be unenforceable. Holt, an attorney, said teachers would be more likely to comply with the law if they did not feel threatened by it.

"The teachers need help, the parents need help

and the drug problem is real," Holt said.

Mrs. Merrill said the bill, in its original form, was the product of research done by the Governor's Task Force on Alcohol and Drugs. She said the criminal penalty, supported by the task force, was necessary because teachers aren't doing all they can to prevent drug use in schools.

"We need to have these teachers responsible when (children) are under their care. We're forced by law to send our children to those schools," she said.

Mrs. Merrill's sentiments were echoed by Rep. Kevin Cromar, R-West Jordan. "It hasn't been that long since I was a student and frankly, the teachers don't do their jobs in this area."

Garnishment delays plans

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A bill approved by a Senate committee would empower colleges to garnish the wages of public employees who default on student loans.

In other action Monday, a House committee approved a resolution calling on the State Board of Education to sponsor sex education courses in the evenings when parents can attend with their children.

The student loan legislation, sponsored by Sen. Chuck Peterson, R-Provo, would allow a college or university to garnish public employees' paychecks for 15 percent of net earnings until the defaulted loan is repaid.

Single-family home sales hit record

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Sales of single-family homes in the Salt Lake district for January hit the highest mark in six years, the Salt Lake Board of Realtors says.

Board President Richard Bennion said 440 single-family homes were sold last month, the highest since the same period in 1980, when 452 sales were recorded for the Salt Lake area.

"There is no better way we could start off the

The Senate Education Committee approved the bill unanimously on a voice vote. The bill now goes to the Senate floor for further consideration.

The House Social Services Committee approved a resolution encouraging schools and communities to offer sex education programs for teen-agers and their parents to attend together.

The bill's sponsor, Rep. Ervin Skousen, R-Salt Lake, said such programs could solve the problem of parental opposition to sex education classes during regular school hours. With classes held in the evening, parents, he said, could be present to ensure they are taught in an appropriate manner.

"Total sales of all residential properties in the area, including houses, condominiums, apartments, duplexes and lots, were up 32.7 percent in January. Single-family home sales by themselves rose 31.7 percent.

year," he said. "Favorable interest rates and a good selection of homes are helping people make the decision to buy now."

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LIFESTYLE

Otis Day and Knights will offer their 'spirit' in performance

By STEVEN K. KENT
Universe Staff Writer

If John Belushi was the heart of *Animal House*, Otis Day was its spirit. His raspy crooning of *Lonnie* and *Twist and Shout* characterized the soul of the movie. Day and his group, the Knights, will be performing at a dance concert Friday in the ELWC Ballroom.

Stage named Otis Day by the studio that produced *Animal House*, DeWayne Jessie has appeared in many movies. In a telephone interview with *The Daily Universe*, Day listed many of his film credits. His first film was *Halls of Anger*, which also starred Jeff Bridges. He also appeared in *Which Way is Up* and *Fun With Dick and Jane*, in which he played "the mugger that hits George Segal in the stomach with a gun."

But the first time Day appeared in a film as a musician was in *Car Wash*, in which he played a steam cleaner with musical aspirations.

Later, Day landed his musical role in *Animal House*. Day described his work in the movie as "a fun experience." Referring to his work with John Belushi, Day remembers that "he was a professional. He worked hard. He had to fly in every other day."

Day was the only member of the group that actually performed in *Animal House*. The other musicians on the set were actually lip syncing. After the sound track of the movie was made, Day put together his band.

The Knights consist of Greg "Brownie" Brown on the drums, Michael "Mr. Sensitive" Henderson playing bass, Dennis "Low Man" Nelson playing the guitar and Jon "Sweet 'n' Low" Maxie playing multi-keyboards.

A native of Los Angeles, began his first tour in the southern California area at campuses like USC and UCLA. Soon his tour took him east to Boston College, Bentley College and NYU.

"Otis Day and the Knights" have never performed outside the U.S., but they are planning an international tour in the near future.

Day commented that the group has been invited to perform in some very "interesting" situations. For example, the group was asked to perform the "National Anthem" in the opening of a baseball game at Houston's Astrodome.

To Day, his music is deeply personal. He writes some of his own lyrics, but much of his music is readapted from other musicians' work. "We take other people's music and add to it with our own experiences," Day explained. He could not classify his music easily.

"I do music that I can't describe," Day observed. "People take the music that we do differently. We do some songs that people don't expect 'Otis Day and the Knights' to do. When we're playing, I just let the music take me."

Day says he enjoys people, and that he likes to see them enjoy themselves. His music reflects that interest.



Photo courtesy of Talent Consultants International, Ltd.
Otis Day, known for his musical uniqueness in the movie "Animal House," will be appearing with his group, the "Knights," at a dance concert Friday in the ELWC Ballroom.

Bookbinding may meet final chapter

BOLINAS, Calif. (AP) — The last chapter may be approaching for the bookbinder, whose trade and tools haven't changed much since bookbinding was invented, says a veteran of the craft.

"We're practically non-existent," said Nicholas Frankovich. "Binding is not one of the necessities of life. It has to be treated as an art form. It was a practical craft in the old days."

Frankovich studied almost eight years with bookbinder Barbara F. Hiller of Bolinas before striking out on his own.

Bookbinding is not just sewing pages together, he said. Working on an old book amounts to restoration, cleaning and fill in its wormholes or

rips, replacing fronts and backs and binding.

"In order to be a good restorer, you have to be a binder," Frankovich said. "There's a awful lot of books that are falling apart. It's very delicate work, especially when you're dealing with an old book."

The oldest book Frankovich has worked on was probably from the late 1500s. The paper, he said, was "still marvelous."

"Paper until the mid-18th century was generally done with rags. When the pulp paper started coming in, it was the beginning of trouble."

A well-made, handcrafted book of today is an art form, said Frankovich, and can last around 500 years.

Federal board ready to post 'missing' ad

WASHINGTON (AP) — MISSING: \$138 billion in U.S. currency — 88 percent of the total supposedly in circulation. Anyone with information on its whereabouts, please contact the Federal Reserve Board, Washington.

While central bank officials haven't placed that ad, they could. A new study has come to a startling conclusion: A lot of U.S. greenbacks can't be accounted for.

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Artist's eggs to go to Washington

MELINDA G. BROWNSON
Universe Staff Writer

The work of painter James C. Christensen will be displayed in the Smithsonian in Washington D.C. this spring, but not on canvas. Rather, his work will be presented on an Easter egg.

For about five to six years now, the White House has been sponsoring an Easter egg hunt, and will feature the work of American artists," said Christensen in an interview with *The Daily Universe*. The people heading up the project choose a number of artists and send them eggs to be painted and sent back for display.

Deals with fantasy
Christensen, an associate professor of art at BYU, is one of the artists chosen for this year. An artist who deals with science fiction and fantasy, he plans to paint something "magical" for his presentation.

Christensen has a great interest in science fiction and fantasy. He is the chairman of the National

Academy of Fantastic Art. He says his interest in this area is not in the area of devil worship or evil witches, but rather it deals with wizards, dwarfs and mystical elements.

Christensen's talent in painting these subjects has brought him the opportunity to show his work nationally. He has done approximately 27 pieces of art to be used as illustrations in a series of Time-Life books called "The Enchanted World."

The series, which Vincent Price is currently advertising on television, deals with subjects of science fiction and fantasy. Though Christensen painted the cover on the first issue, his work for the books deals mainly with the section on dwarfs.

Project opportunity
Christensen was approached to work on this project about three years ago when someone from Time-Life Books saw his paintings in an art show in New York for the Society of Illustrators.

Christensen enjoys his work. "I can't think of anything I'd rather be doing. I find great joy in producing people's imagination."

A graduate of BYU, Christensen finds it a rewarding experience to make magic happen and make it real — as he does with fantasy art.

"I'm not a prolific painter," Christensen said. "While some painters do over 100 pieces a year, I do only about 25." When examining the great detail in his work, it is not difficult to understand this. Several weeks' worth of work go into one painting alone.

Not just a painter
However, Christensen doesn't spend all his time painting. In between his painting and teaching he takes on other projects.

In March, he will speak at the International Conference on the Fantastic, and he has had shows at galleries around the country in places such as Arizona, Connecticut, Denver and Park City.

Most recently, he has been asked to start a new project. The Cedar City Shakespeare Festival will be celebrating its 25th year and Christensen will be painting the poster and program to be used for its publicity.

Science fiction writer dispels myths; craft 'not all it's cracked up to be'

JULIE A. FENTON
Universe Staff Writer

The science fiction writer must battle poverty, stress and uncivilized working conditions to practice his craft.

It is not all it's cracked up to be, according to Dean Foster, a science fiction author who has addressed a group of BYU students Friday in the University Theatre as part of the "Life, the Universe and Everything Symposium IV" sponsored by the Science Fiction Club.

Foster gave students some practical advice about writing as a career as well as dispelling the many myths about writers.

Breaking into writing is a matter of perseverance as well as a little luck, said Foster. "I had my first manuscripts published without an agent. I put manuscripts into a long brown envelope and sent them off."

Although an agent isn't necessary, Foster recommends one. "Manuscripts from known agents read first," he said. "Those from unknowns are read in what is known as a 'slush pile' and read last."

It is important to send your manuscripts in because even though there are many stories in the

pile, if the story has merit, they'll be interested," Foster said.

Foster's own career in writing began somewhat by accident. As a political science major at UCLA, he planned to attend law school. In his senior year, Foster said he discovered the film department.

"I began to take film classes and writing, too, because I was good at writing in school."

Instead of going to law school, Foster attended UCLA's graduate school of film. He began writing short stories and was eventually published.

"There is a sense of peace, excitement and exhilaration as words mysteriously appear on the page," he said. Forty minutes of work can be exhausting, but it's worth it because from nothing, I create pages of fiction."

Though Foster considers writing a joy, he said he is often amused at the misconceptions people have about writers. We are often pictured as wealthy men who have a very casual lifestyle, doing nothing but sitting in lavish offices creating fiction for hours at a time, Foster said.

The truth is writers are people who must contend with the mundane things that everyone else does, he explained.

Foster, who lives in Arizona, is best known for his Spelling series and movie novelizations.

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Even in the face of a continued fractional decline in membership in mainline Protestant denominations, giving to them rose nearly 8 percent in 1984, almost double the inflation rate of 4 percent.

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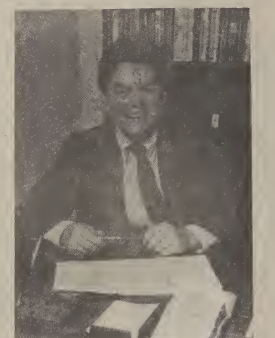
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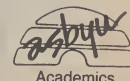
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Ylaboratory gets contract for study of low-rank coals

By CHRISTY IBA
Universe Staff Writer

The BYU Combustion Laboratory has been awarded a \$150,000 contract by the Department of Energy to research the explosion characteristics of low-rank coals.

Low-rank coals are mined near the earth's surface rather than in deep underground deposits. They are softer, have a lower heating content and a higher moisture percentage than high-rank coals, said L. Douglas Smoot, dean of the College of Engineering and Technology and head of the Combustion Laboratory. Low-rank coals also contain more oxygen and less hydrogen.

Experts say the United States has vast reserves of low-rank coals, particularly in Wyoming, Montana, North Dakota and the Texas-Louisiana regions.

Pulverized coals can present explosion hazards in

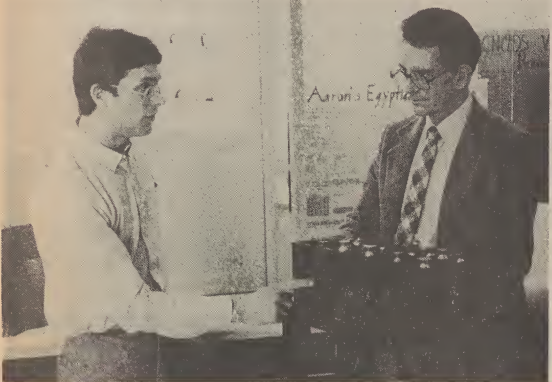
mines, and pulverizer fires are all too common, Smoot said.

Pulverized coal is coal that is ground until it is as fine as face powder. "Coal becomes dangerous when it is pulverized because it can become airborne, and if there is a fire, the pulverized coal will explode," he said.

"One of the existing alternatives is coal, and one alternative in coal is low-rank coal."

— L. Douglas Smoot
— dean College of Engineering

BYU researchers have done extensive studies on the nature, control and inhibition of high-rank coal fires, "but there is not much information about the explosion characteristics of low-rank coal," Smoot said.



Universe photo by Stuart Johnson

Paul Wangemann, left, a graduate student in curriculum instructional science and Carl Harris, a member of the college of education, display a game similar to chess. The game was made by Jason Howard of Larson Elementary in Spanish Fork.

Elementary students create Ramses replicas

By ANN MARCHANT
Universe Staff Writer

To members of the College of Education, the first appearance of the Ramses II exhibit in the United States, provided a unique opportunity for the promotion of learning in public schools.

Dr. Carl Harris, a professor of elementary education at BYU, said students in the elementary education 469 class have created the Independent Learning Stations where elementary and middle school-age children have the opportunity to create replicas of artifacts from the Ramses II exhibit.

The stations have been used as models to give teachers and students ideas about creating an interest in the exhibit among younger students, he said.

"While some schools have used it as a way to orient students before they visit the Ramses II exhibit, other schools use the stations as their only Ramses experience. The stations provide a way for students to express what they have learned," Harris said.

Under the instigation of Dean Ralph Smith, the college formed the "Bright Ideas Committee," which is made up of representatives from five areas

school districts and four members from the BYU faculty. The purpose of the committee is to generate enthusiasm in teachers, parents and students over the exhibit, he said.

The committee created the "Share Fair," which encourages students to go in-depth with their projects by giving them wider recognition, Harris said. Good projects are chosen and displayed in the David O. McKay building for a month. The work of students has been exceptional, and the details of the articles are very accurate, he said.

"We're trying to support the overall university effort by extending ourselves into the public schools. This is a tremendous opportunity to excite learning," Harris said.

The Bright Ideas Committee also developed a 90-page booklet to help teachers acquaint students with the exhibit. Known as "The Teacher Resource Packets," the booklet contains lesson topics with maps and pictures dealing with ancient Egypt.

"We've distributed about 1,500 packets to schools in Utah, Wyoming, Idaho, California, Arizona, Washington, Nevada, North Dakota and Florida," said Dorothy Ross, director of the College of Education Advisement Center who is in charge of distribution of the packets.

Students get additional study areas

In response to President Jeffrey R. Holland's theme, "Excellence in the Eighties," university officials are meeting the demand for more study areas in a variety of strategic locations on campus.

"We are finding that courses are more rigorous than they used to be and students are more inclined to sit down and study seriously," said Albert Haines, coordinator of Space Utilization on campus.

Study areas have been opened in the new Crabtree Technology Building, the Smith Family Living Center, the Jesse Knight Humanities Building and on-campus housing facilities.

The administration has been encouraging study as close to the point of delivery as possible, said Haines. Space is limited, however, so it is difficult to create study areas near classrooms.

Society honors constitution's birth

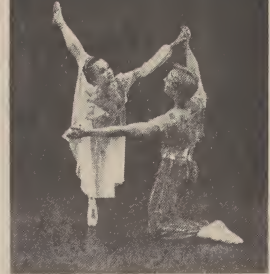
BYU students can experience the legislative process through a constitutional convention on Feb. 14-15 in room 321 MSRB.

The convention is being sponsored by Pi Sigma Alpha, the political science honor society, which received \$800 from its national headquarters to sponsor the event.

The convention is in honor of the bicentennial of the constitution, and the purpose of the convention is three-fold.

The conference will acquaint students with the issues that the founding fathers faced, said Stephanie Spong, a senior from Princeton, N.J., and major in economics and Asian studies and a member of Pi Sigma Alpha. She said it will also give students hands-on experience in the legislative process.

Forty-five student delegates from a variety of majors will participate on five committees at the convention. They will deal with issues ranging from the budget to the election process.



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"We think that people at BYU and in Utah are wondering about the Democratic Party, and whether it's on its way out in Utah, or just in a slump," said Gary Swenson, president of College Democrats.

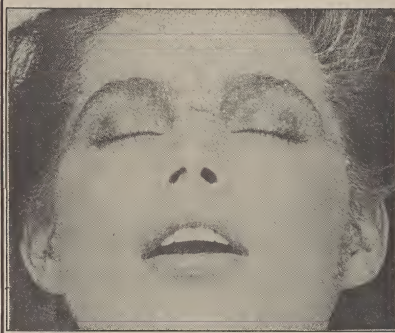
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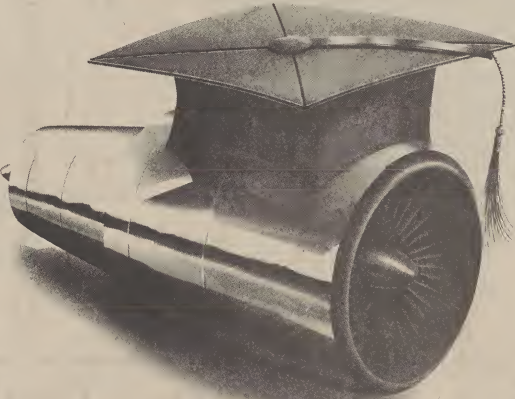
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Soviet influence breaking pole vaulting records

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Call it the Bubka Factor. It's the Soviet influence that's bringing the vaulters ever nearer to the once unimagined 20-foot plateau, while making record-breaking performances a weekly occurrence.

Track-and-field fans are straining their eyes to see it, and athletes are flinching at the name and injury on every jump because of it.

It's a tightrope that for now is carrying two people — Billy Olson, Sergey Bubka of D.J. Dial. And no one is losing his balance. The world indoor best in the pole vault is a fallen seven times within 39 days, including twice Saturday. Bubka snapped a record Dial set a week earlier with a vault of 19-feet-5 1/2 at the Soviet indoor championships and Olson raised the mark one-half an inch hours later at the U.S.-U.S. Olympic Invitational Track and Field Meet at the Brendan Byrne Arena in New Jersey.

It knotted without question that I can jump three or four or five inches higher

this year," Olson said. "I'm sure Sergey can too. I don't know what Joe can do. I haven't seen him yet."

And that brings us to the big question: Why is everyone jumping so high all of a sudden?

"It's a lot of reasons," Olson, who has set 11 world records, including four within the last six weeks, said. "I think (it is) Sergey Bubka, though; I keep giving him a lot of credit."

"He changed the outlook of everybody. If you wanted to compete in this event and stay anywhere close to competitive, you had to do some of the things he was doing."

The biggest change was in where the vaulter grabbed the pole. Bubka raised the grip, holding the pole higher from the base. He also increased the speed at which he approached the pit.

"There are drawbacks," Olson, 27, said. "If you are not running excellently and being technically efficient, you're going to land on the ground or break your neck, or both."

But that isn't going to stop people from jumping higher, Olson said.

Ironically, Olson quipped Saturday that his record would probably last 10 minutes. He was almost right. The judges reversed the bar after his leap and discovered it moved a quarter of an inch, making the jump 19-feet-5 1/2, and that's the way meet officials recorded it.

However, the record fell to 19-feet-5 1/2 Sunday when the national governing board for track and field said the officials erred, citing a rule that moving the bar during a jump can only lower the final height, not raise it.

So the record is teetering at 19-feet-5 1/2, with a match-up between Dial and Olson set for Friday in the Wanamaker Millrose Games at Madison Square Garden. All three vaulters are scheduled to compete in the USA-Mobil Indoor Championships at the Garden on Feb. 28.

The Vitalis-U.S. Invitational also marked the return of double Olympic gold medalist Evelyn Ashford. Competing in her first meet in more than 17 months, after time off to have her first child, she captured the women's 55-meter dash in 6.68 seconds.

Y gymnastic team vaults to third in Cactus Classic

The Cougar women's gymnastics team placed third in the Cactus Classic on Friday in Tucson, scoring their highest point total of the year (177.35).

The hosting team, Arizona, won the meet with a score of 182.55 while nationally-ranked Oklahoma edged out BYU for second with a score of 177.45.

"I feel like the team is just continuing to show improvement," said Coach Rodney Hill. "Our vault was quite good, we just need to land more solidly. Our uneven bars was definitely improved."

BYU was strong on three of four events, achieving its highest scores of the season — vault (45.05), bars (43.90) and beam (44.00).

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In addition to Hansen and Lieder, teammate Melissa Priesen scored well for the Cougars on the beam and floor exercise. "We need two good scores (to qualify for the regional championships) and this is one of them. The kids believe in themselves now and that's the most important thing," Hill said.

This Saturday the Cougars will try again to score well as the women's gymnastics team will host top-ranked (division II) Seattle Pacific and Boise State in a tri-meet at 7 p.m. in the Smith Fieldhouse.

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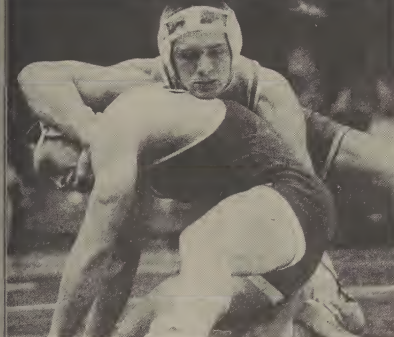
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BYU wrestler grapples with an opponent in a recent home match. BYU participated in two meets last weekend, winning one and placing third in the other.

The BYU wrestlers defeated Cal-State Fullerton and took third place in the Biola Invitational this past weekend.

With key wins at 118 and 134 pounds, the Cougars routed to a 27-10 victory over Cal-State Fullerton on Friday.

BYU's Chris Brown, ranked 13th by National Mat News, captured a 6-2 decision over Fullerton's freshman standout, Frank Trujillo, in the 118-pound match.

Key win after injury
At 134 pounds, Cougar Jess Christen, who has just come off a shoulder injury, defeated Titan Dondi Teran, 8-7.

In addition to these bouts, BYU's eighth-ranked junior, Brad Gustafson, pulled out a 3-0 victory over Fullerton's Shawn Dretzler at 126 pounds.

Biola Invitational
Saturday, the Cougars took its 6-2 dual record to Los Angeles, where it tied for third with Fresno State, scoring 116 1/2 points in the Biola Invitational.

For the second time this season Gustafson was named the outstanding

wrestler of the tournament. Gustafson defeated Fresno State's Dan Thomas 6-3 to win the championship in the 126-pound division.

Another standout in the invitational was Cougar senior Morgan Woodhouse, who captured the 142-pound championship by defeating Fresno State's Chris Salisbury.

BYU's Christen placed third in the 134-pound division with a 7-5 victory over Fullerton's Dondi Teran.

Heavyweight places third
Also placing third for the Cougars was heavyweight Doug Rawlinson. Rawlinson was able to pin Weber State's Steve Neff in the first period of the wrestling match.

Arizona State won the team title with 124 and Cal-Bakersfield finished second with 123 1/2. Among the other 23 teams in the tournament were Cal Fullerton, Stanford and Weber State.

The Cougars are now preparing to host Utah State and Weber State Wednesday at 6 p.m. in the Smith Fieldhouse.

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Sundin qualifies for NCAA's; coach frets over WAC foes

JORDAN COX
Universe Sports Writer

Although the BYU men's track and field team ended some of its stiffest competition of the year at the weekend, Coach Clarence Robison still is sure where his squad stands compared to other Western Athletic Conference teams.

The Cougars were in Lincoln, Neb., for the Husker Invitational, competing against top schools, and one more team member was able to qualify for the AAs.

"This meet was good because it told us where we are and as far as individual performances," Robison said. "But I haven't received anything from the AC office to tell us about our competition." Robison is aware of where Utah stands, and owns a little about Wyoming and CSU, as both are schools where he has coached. "However, the two schools he has to worry about — EP and New Mexico — he knows nothing about. That troubles me is that I have to send my entries to the Air Force Academy and I don't know what other teams have done," explained Robison. Even though the Cougars didn't set the meet on a, they did have some good performances and are away with that additional entry for the AAs. Sundin placed third and qualified for national

als with a toss of 60-10 1/2 in the shot put. Soren Tallheim, BYU's top shot putter, did not travel to Nebraska for Saturday's meet so he could prepare for the BYU Invitational Feb. 15.

"Soren is having a hard time staying in the ring," said Robison. "We may need to change his position to break some bad habits so he can compete this weekend, but he can qualify any time."

Kenny Henderson could have qualified but caught a spike in the 60-yard dash and ended up placing third with a time of 6.31. "The qualifying time for the 60 is 6.22 and I have no doubt he could have made the cut had he not tripped," said Robison.

The Cougars received good performances from the high jumpers as Dave Sampson cleared 7-9 1/2 with three inches to spare and Cory Swenson jumped 6-8 1/2.

Sampson, who jumped well, said that he couldn't feel himself touch the bar when he was jumping to qualify for nationals at 7-3.

In the 1,000-yard run, Wes Ashford just missed finishing the race in winning form when a runner came from behind and tried to pass him on the inside and sent him sprawling on the track two feet from the finish line.

The Cougar track and field teams will be back in action Saturday, Feb. 15, at home in the Smith Fieldhouse.

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OPINION

Code violations serious matter

It was another headline that slapped BYU with national attention — "Y ball players get suspension for shirking code."

With obvious glee, one radio newsmen in California told listeners that nine members of the BYU football team had been put on probation for drinking Coke with caffeine in it. He later apologized for his mistake (the players are on probation for violation of the Word of Wisdom), but the joke was still on BYU.

Granted, football players at most NCAA schools probably indulge themselves regularly, and in a much more energetic way than any Cougar has, but the point is, that kind of thing isn't supposed to happen here. When it does, those outside the BYU community are amused. BYU officials aren't; they should be.

Sure, the football program has done more for BYU than we can ever know. There are employers out there who may give our graduates more than a fleeting thought simply because they've seen the words Brigham Young University somewhere along the way — on the sports page perhaps.

We feel football's impact on a personal level as well. Most students have experienced the exhilaration and pride that comes with a National Championship and nine consecutive WAC titles.

But maybe that is precisely why we may experience a strange gnawing feeling when a story about problems in the program comes out. We prefer the football program we love to be flawless, thank you.

That would be nice for the players too. We hope Cougar players will be able to look to their memories of BYU as a time when partying did not get in the way of the game.

For most members of the football team it probably doesn't. For at least six of the nine players on probation it has — they will not be playing during spring practice.

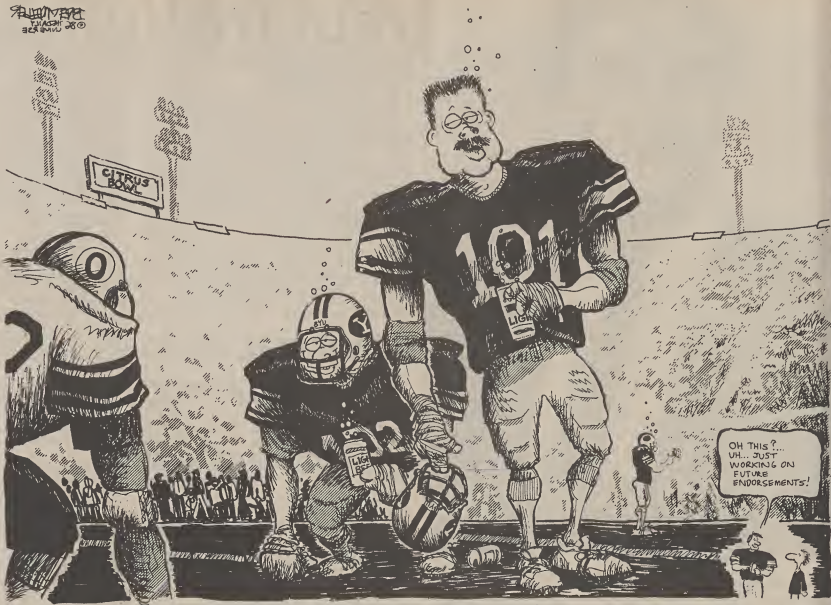
Because many of us adore the Cougars, we may be tempted to overlook the actions of the guys on the team who ignored the code of honor they agreed to abide by when they came to Provo. But we can't do that.

If these violations are treated seriously, perhaps there will be no more.

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Incubators spawn economic vitality

The life expectancy of new small businesses is usually brief with only an estimated 10 percent making it through the first year of life. A new trend to nurture small businesses into longevity is quickly catching on across America. The concept is called business incubators and Provo City's redevelopment agency in cooperation with Utah Valley Industrial Development Association is gearing up to start one in the vacant Kress Building in downtown Provo.

The incubator places new businesses in a professional atmosphere without forcing businesses to pay large lease payments and office equipment expenses. Such new businesses are usually forced to work out of their garage or basement for the first months of operation.

Provo's proposed incubator would share equipment systems, such as telephone, accountant and secretarial services. In the Kress Building there would be room for an office related business in the second level and a light manufacturing operation, such as a producer of computer chips, on the first floor.

Considering the success rate of such incubators, the venture is a far-sighted one. Ron Madsen, Provo's redevelopment agency director, said about 90 percent of the businesses that use services of an incubator are able to make it after an initial start-up period.

With a large number of vacant buildings in Provo's downtown area, incubator users might eventually be part of the solution to Provo's downtown

woes. First, an incubator occupant might move into a vacant building downtown or, in the case of manufacturing firms, eventually provide jobs that would indirectly spawn economic growth in the downtown area.

The redevelopment agency should hasten steps to start the incubator. Other organizations such as BYU should consider using vacant buildings as incubators. Vacant building owners downtown might even set up incubator programs. This might mean loss of money for the first months of a business operation, but it will pay off in the long run for property owners and the economic vitality of Provo.

— Joel Campbell

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Crying babies

Editor:
First, we would like to commend the ASBYU Women's office for bringing such an inspirational speaker as Coretta Scott King. We were uplifted and enlightened by her eloquent speech.

However, once again a problem has made itself manifest: crying babies who were distracting from the overall experience. It struck us as funny that the only applause during the body of the speech was when Sister King mentioned improved day care facilities. We must wonder who was applauding, the parents or the people who were sitting next to the crying babies, wishing Mum and Dad students could afford a babysitter.

Equally upsetting was the gentleman who would snore whenever he did not agree with one of Sister King's points. If he didn't want his precious prejudices offended, he should have remained at home to nap. We would have loved to help him stay awake but he was sitting 15 rows in front of us.

All in all the experience was wonderful. We learned much about unconditional love and will strive to apply it to even these individuals who are inconsiderate enough to ignore the rights of others. After all,

wasn't that really the point of Sister King's speech?

Brent Allen
Los Altos, Calif.

Chains of racism

Editor:
On my way to the Coretta Scott King lecture Thursday evening I was walking beside a couple of individuals who were talking about "this black thing that everyone was going to," and when we subsequently neared a group of black gentlemen waiting in line for the lecture, one of the individuals said, "Oh, we better not let these 'niggers' hear us."

I turned to this bearded person and told him I would appreciate it if he would not use that term and that it was only a reflection of his ignorance; whereby, he made some derogatory comment about short people (I'm five feet tall) and walked on.

Racism is not simply an embarrassing historical fact — it continues to rear its ugly head even in the "enlightened" here and now. That "head" need not manifest itself as blatantly as the offensive label I heard mentioned but can surface in more subtle, seemingly harmless ways.

More than a few times I have heard racial slurs and ethnic jokes on campus that take as their brunt cer-

tain groups that the white majority here either consciously or subconsciously categorizes as inferior. Inasmuch as many of us chuckle or even listen to these jokes we are participating in racism to a certain degree.

In her lecture Mrs. King said that her husband perhaps did more to free the whites than the blacks, but many of us still remain bound in the chains of ideological prejudice. Let us consciously strive to break those chains with the power of humility and intelligence, thereby becoming free to love and receive love in an atmosphere of peace and equality.

Karen E. Riggs
Palos Verdes, Calif.

Braille aid

Editor:
I would like to address Tom Lovery's (Feb. 4 editorial) on the provision of Braille magazines for the blind.

One of the characteristics which separates man from beast is our ability to care for the weak and infirm among us. Unlike nature, which ensures the survival of only the fittest, man, by virtue of his capacity to manipulate his environment, is able to save many who would otherwise perish in nature.

Thus man has prospered and inha-

bited the furthest reaches of the globe while other species rise and fall on the capricious turns of climatic changes. That caring for the sick and afflicted is a cardinal virtue of mankind is plentifully supported in sacred and secular writings throughout history.

It is, of course, essential that people learn to provide for themselves as much as possible. But let's not push self-reliance so far that it becomes callous disregard for the plight of the handicapped.

Consider how much more difficult it is for the blind to feed and clothe themselves, to travel from place to place or perform other everyday tasks. In many cases, providing for themselves is doubly difficult because their ability to earn is hindered by their handicap.

Would we then add insult to their difficulties by failing to provide for them access to Braille or tape libraries while providing numerous libraries for ourselves?

It is difficult to defend Braille copies of *Playboy*, but why would we provide them for the sighted and not the blind?

Free public education, including public libraries, gives the disadvantaged better opportunity to compete in our society. Should we not strive to provide at least a measure of the

same blessings to the handicapped, even if at a greater cost to ourselves?

Lyle Beefelt
Catharpin, Va.

Ugly step sisters

Editor:
In criticizing beautiful Cinderella who got married and lived happily ever after, we often forget to examine the lives of the three ugly step sisters who got their careers.

One, neglecting to date at BYU, graduated empty handed, but later found a nice non-Mormon who said he would someday get baptized. The second, who put her career first, made so much money, she forgot to have children and became very depressed at 35. The third step sister never found anyone, lived a very lonely life, but had her career.

Kevin Rummel
Anaheim, Calif.

A special team

Editor:
Since ASBYU wants us to join together, let's make Chris (Doughty) and his buddies proud by following these simple steps:

— Think about how important marketing is.
— Go get your *Daily Universe* as

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— Grasp one of the folded corners of the paper firmly.

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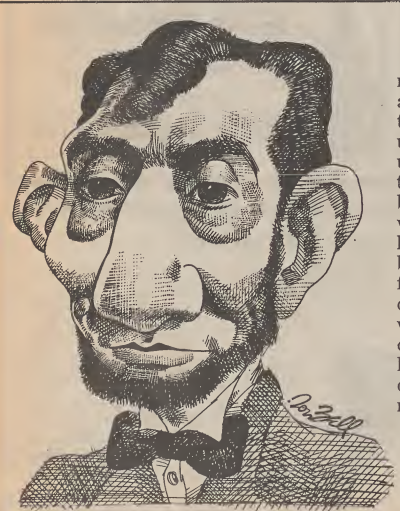
By following these five simple guidelines we can help employ the grounds crew while the snow and ice is on vacation. I know without a doubt that if we are able to work together as a special team, we can one day litter enough of these slippery, flying flyers to make the entrance to the library seem like there is ice underneath, and maybe Chris will use our grand project as a great example of student unity in a good cause. In other words, let's get rid of the stupid flyers.

Wayne Sackley
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Editor's note:
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Name, identification number, hometown and local phone number must be included.

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"With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphan — to do all which may achieve and cherish just, and a lasting peace, among ourselves, and with all nations."

— Abraham Lincoln

Pres. Lincoln's example keeps U.S. freedom alive

Adlai E. Stevenson once said, "In America any boy may become President and I suppose it's just one of the risks he takes." It was 125 years ago today that the man we often call "the greatest president of them all" left Illinois to take on the challenge of running the country during one of its most difficult eras, the Civil War.

Abraham Lincoln is a legend now, but that's largely because he was able to overcome the criticism and trials of his day. Horace Greeley of *The New York Tribune* once wrote a letter to Lincoln saying, "You are not considered a great man." Edwin M. Stanton, one of many secretaries of war during Lincoln's term, once called him "imbecilic" and the "original gorilla."

Lincoln was the ideal character for an Horatio Alger story. He was born into a poor family, he was a rail splitter at one time, a lawyer and a one-term congressman. He lost more elections than he won, but still managed to be a hero as president of the United States, in a country that, at the time, was not so united.

The Southern states, crying for states' rights to justify slavery, left the Union because Lincoln held the 1860 election. He seldom condemned the South, but recognized the need for an undivided nation, so he went to war to save the Union.

Lincoln has been given super-human qualities by those who have made him a folk hero, but in reality he was surprisingly common. Perhaps that's what makes a person great — his ability to excel despite his own human flaws.

Of slavery he said: "When the white man governs himself that is self-government; but when he governs himself, and also governs another man, that is more than self-

government — that is despotism. If the negro is a man, why then my ancient faith teaches me that 'all men are created equal'; and that there can be no moral right in connection with one man's making a slave of another."

His ability to issue absolute poetry in his letters and speeches is perhaps remembered more than anything else he did. At the dedication of the Gettysburg battlefield he said: "But, in a larger sense, we can not dedicate — we can not consecrate — we can not hallow — this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract. The living will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us — that from these honored dead we take increased devotion — that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain — that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom — and that government of the people, by the people, to the people, shall not perish from the earth."

His assassination still saddens this country, though no one living now ever knew him. He died a martyr for the freedom of all people of all races.

Coretta Scott King said the Civil Rights movement freed more whites than it did blacks. Through the Lincoln and Kings of the world, we all become free. The lives of those before us challenge us to not only maintain the freedoms given to us, but to multiply those freedoms.

— Steve Gardine